WHY PLANT? Trees and Palms





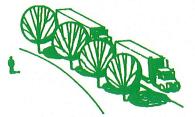




provide shade and cool the air ...

act as wind breaks ...

enhance the streetscape ...









screen objectionable views ...

frame views ... soften architecture ... act as a backdrop.

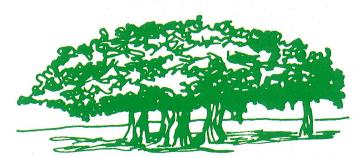
WHY WE TRIM TREES

Not all trees are planted in "the right place." Often large trees growing into powerlines will require periodic trimming to maintain proper clearance.

Powerline maintenance, including tree removal and trimming, benefits everyone by reducing power outages. A single tree that contacts a powerline can interrupt electrical power to many people in an area. Overhanging limbs, or trees too close to the powerlines can break or fall off. This is especially critical during storms or periods of high winds.

FPL utilizes professional tree crews trained to trim trees in a safe and technically correct manner. The National Arborists Association standards (NAA) and local tree trimming codes are used as guidelines.

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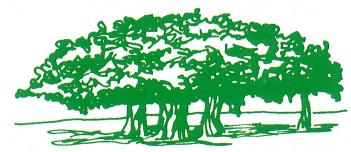


NUISANCE and PROBLEM TREES

Non-native problem trees that should not be planted, are prohibited in some municipalities, can be invasive, or damage sidewalks, structures, or utilities, or may be extremely messy.

EARLEAF ACACIA AUSTRALIAN PINE MELALEUCA BRAZILIAN PEPPER WOMAN'S TONGUE TREE NORFOLK ISLAND PINE TREE BAMBOO **BISCHOFIA SCHEFFLERA EAR TREE EUCALYPTUS NON-NATIVE FICUS** SILK OAK MAHOE **CHINESE TALLOW TREE JAVA PLUM** CORK TREE

Acacia auriculiformis Casuarina spp. Melaleuca quinquenervia Schinus terebinthifolius Albizzia lebbeck Araucaria heterophylla Bambusa vulgaris Bischofia javanica Brassaia actinophylla Enterolobium cyclocarpum Eucalyptus spp. Ficus spp. Grevillea robusta Hibiscus tiliaceus Sapium sebiferum Syzygium cumini Thespesia populnea



PROPER TREE SELECTION

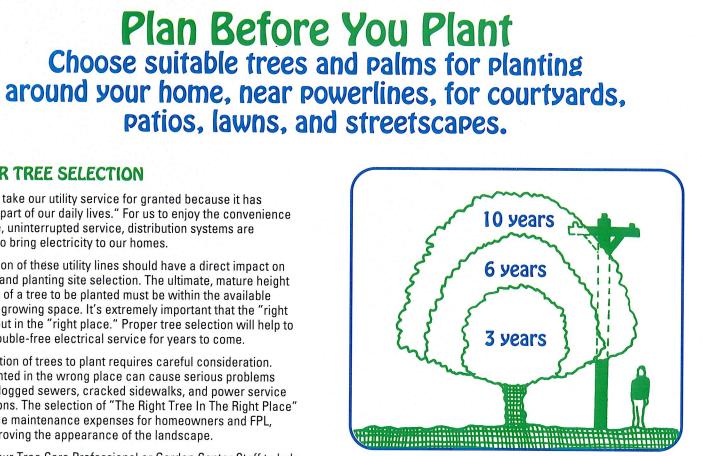
Often, we take our utility service for granted because it has become "part of our daily lives." For us to enjoy the convenience of reliable, uninterrupted service, distribution systems are required to bring electricity to our homes.

The location of these utility lines should have a direct impact on your tree and planting site selection. The ultimate, mature height and width of a tree to be planted must be within the available overhead growing space. It's extremely important that the "right tree" be put in the "right place." Proper tree selection will help to ensure trouble-free electrical service for years to come.

The selection of trees to plant requires careful consideration. Trees planted in the wrong place can cause serious problems such as clogged sewers, cracked sidewalks, and power service interruptions. The selection of "The Right Tree In The Right Place" can reduce maintenance expenses for homeowners and FPL, while improving the appearance of the landscape.

Consult your Tree Care Professional or Garden Center Staff to help you select the right tree.

In this publication you will find a select list of trees and palms as well as recommendations for planting in relation to utility lines.



"Plant the RIGHT TREE in the

RIGHT PLACE"

Always consider the ultimate mature size when planting.

SMALL TREES

Less than 20' ht. at maturity

Can be planted adjacent to powerlines

For courtyards, patios, entryways, etc.

COMMON/BOTANICAL NAME	HEIGHT	COMMENTS
*SWEET ACACIA	10'- 15'	fragrant yellow flowers
Acacia farnesiana		
DWARF POINCIANA	10'- 15'	yellow-orange flowers
Caesalpinia spp.	15/ 00/	large shrub, tropical
WEEPING BOTTLEBRUSH Callistemon viminalis	15'- 20'	red, bottlebrush flowers
GLAUCUS CASSIA	15'- 20'	vallow flowers trapical
Cassia surattensis	13 - 20	yellow flowers, tropical
CITRUS: LEMON, ORANGE, ETC.	15'- 20'	edible fruit, white flowers
Citrus spp.	13 20	all, except Grapefruit
*SILVER BUTTONWOOD	15'- 20'	attractive gray foliage
Conocarpus erectus var. 'sericeus'	.0 20	cold tolerant
WHITE GEIGER/ TEXAS OLIVE	10' - 15'	showy white flowers
Cordia boissieri		cold tolerant
*ORANGE GEIGER	15'- 20'	brilliant orange flowers
Cordia sebestena		
LOQUAT	15'- 20'	edible orange fruit
Eriobotrya japonica		dark green foliage
*STOPPERS	15' - 20'	understory trees
Eugenia spp.		good hedgerow screens
*LIGNUM VITAE	15'- 20'	sky-blue flowers
Guaiacum sanctum	10/ 15/	specimen tree
HIBISCUS "Standards"	10'- 15'	red, pink, yellow, or white
Hibiscus spp. TREE JATROPHA	15' 20'	flowers, tropical
Jatropha spp.	15'- 20'	crimson-red flowers, tropical
CREPE MYRTLE	15'- 20'	red, pink, coral, or white
Lagerstroemia indica	13 - 20	flowers
TREE LIGUSTRUM	15'- 20'	small white flowers,
Ligustrum spp.	10 20	dark green foliage
JABOTICABA	15 '- 20'	edible fruit,
Myrciaria caulifolia		attractive bark
CHALCAS/ ORANGE JASMINE	15'- 20'	fragrant white flowers,
Murraya paniculata		trained as a tree
*WAX MYRTLE	15'- 20'	tolerates wet soils,
Myrica cerifera		aromatic leaves when crushed
OLEANDER "Standards"	15'- 20'	pink, coral, or white
Nerium oleander		flowers, very poisonous
KOPSIA	15'- 20'	lobster-red berries, poisonous,
Ochrosia elliptica	15' 20'	attractive foliage
FRANGIPANI Plumeria rubra	15' -20'	coral, yellow, or white
VELLOW FLOER	15'- 20'	flowers, tropical

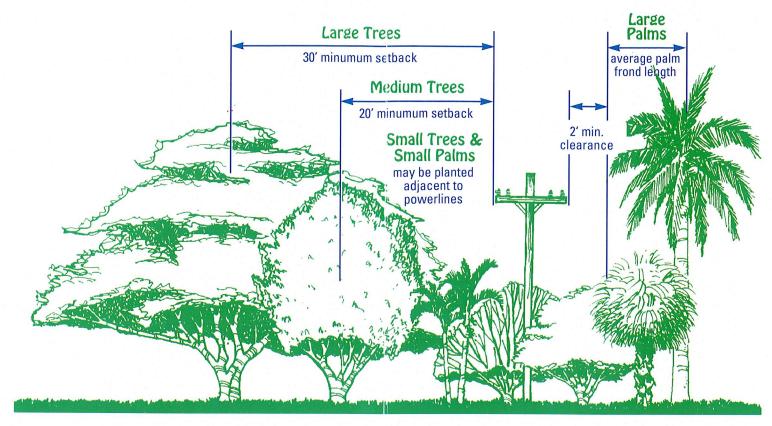
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MEDIUM TREES

YELLOW ELDER Tecoma stans

20'-30' ht. at maturity

20' setback from powerlines For lawns, parks, shade, etc.		
COMMON/BOTANICAL NAME	HEIGHT	COMMENTS
ORCHID TREE	20'- 30'	attractive orchid-like
Bauhinia spp. *PITCH APPLE	05/ 00/	flowers, white, pink, purple
Clusia rosea	25'- 30'	handsome foliage excellent medium street tree
*PIGEON PLUM	25'- 30'	
Coccoloba diversifolia	25 - 30	attractive native, provides food for wildlife
*SEAGRAPE	20' -30'	salt tolerant native
Coccoloba uvifera	20 -30	provides food for wildlife
*DAHOON HOLLY	25'- 30'	attractive red berries,
llex cassine	20 00	tolerates wet soils
*BLACK IRONWOOD	20'- 30'	attractive slow growing
Krugiodendron ferreum		native, very dense wood
SABICU	20'- 30'	slender tree w/fine foliage
Lysiloma latisiliqua		•
MADAGASCAR OLIVE	20'- 30'	upright, open tree w/
Noronhia emarginata		attractive dark green leaves
JERUSALEM THORN	20'- 30'	feathery transparent tree
Parkinsonia aculeata	.=	w/small yellow flowers
ALLSPICE	15'- 30'	attractive tree w/dark green
Pimenta dioica		aromatic leaves
PODOCARPUS	20'- 30'	handsome evergreen tree,
Podocarpus spp.	20' 20'	yew-like appearance
YELLOW TABEBUIA/SILVER TRUMPET Tabebuia caraiba	20' - 30'	striking yellow flowers
PINK TABEBUIA	20'- 30'	w/crooked corky trunk attractive pink flowers
Tabebuia heterophylla	20 - 30	attractive pilik nowers
rabobata notorophyna		



SMALL PALMS

Less than 20' ht. at maturity Can be planted adjacent to powerlines For courtyards, patios, entryways, etc.

COMMON/BOTANICAL NAME		COMMENTS
DIAIDO DALM	10' 15'	blue musu falle

COMMON BOTHNICHL WHITE	neight	COMMENTS
PINDO PALM	10'- 15'	blue-gray foliage,
Butia capitata		cold tolerant feather palm
CAT PALM	5'- 10'	handsome clumping
Chamadorea cataractarum		feather palm
BAMBOO PALM	10'- 15'	partial shade, clumping
Chamadorea spp.		feather palms
EUROPEAN FAN PALM	5'- 10'	attractive, cold tolerant
Chamaerops humilis		fan palm
ARECA PALM	15'- 20'	good hedgerow screen,
Chrysalidocarpus lutescens		clumping feather palm
SILVER PALM	15'- 20'	silver-gray foliage,
Coccothrinax argentata		attractive fan palm
BOTTLE PALM	10'- 15'	bottle-shaped trunk,
Hyophorbe lagencaulis		feather palm
SPINDLE PALM	15'- 20'	attractive thick trunk,
Hyophorbe verschaffeltii		feather palm
PYGMY DATE PALM	15'- 20'	lethal yellowing susceptible
Phoenix roebellini		popular feather palm
MAJESTY PALM	15'- 20'	interesting thick trunk,
Ravenea glauca		feather palm
NEEDLE PALM	5'- 10'	cold tolerant, palmate,
Rhapidophylium hystrix		clumping palm
LADY PALM	10'- 15'	partial shade, palmate,
Rhapis excelsa		clumping palm
DWARF PALMETTO	10'- 15'	cold tolerant, fan palm
Sabal minor		
SAW PALMETTO	10'- 15'	cold tolerant, green and
Serenoa repens		silver varieties, fan palm
THATCH PALM	15'- 20'	single-stemmed fan palms,
Thrinax spp.		T. morrisii & T. radiata
CHRISTMAS PALM	15'- 20'	red berries, 'LY',
Veitchii merrillii		attractive feather palm

LARGE PALMS

Greater than 20' at maturity

Plant at the average frond length plus 2' for minimum clearance from powerlines. (#') indicates average palm frond length

COMMON/BOTANICAL NAME	HEIGHT	COMMENTS
*PAUROTIS/EVERGLADES PALM Acoelorrhaphe wrightii (5')	15'- 25'	clumping native fan palm
ALEXANDRA PALM Archontophoenix alexandrae (7')	40'- 45'	handsome feather palm
BISMARK PALM Bismarkia nobilis (7')	30'- 60'	striking blue-gray fan palm
FISHTAIL PALM Caryota mitis (8')	15'- 25'	fishtail ends on fronds, clumping palm
COCONUT PALM Cocos nucifera (15')	60'- 80'	king of palms, use "Maypan or sim. resistent to 'LY'
HURRICANE PALM Dictyosperma album (12')	25'- 40'	handsome feather palm
BLUE LATANIA Latania loddigesii (7')	20'- 50'	attractive silver-blue fan palm
CHINESE FAN PALM Livistonia chinensis (7')	20'- 30'	weeping fronds, handsome fan palm
TRIANGLE PALM Neodypsis decaryi (10')	15'- 25'	three-sided exotic feather palm
DATE PALM Phoenix dactylifera (15')	60'- 90'	tall feather palm
CANARY ISLAND DATE PALM Phoenix canariensis (15')	35'- 50'	thick trunked feather palm
SENEGAL ISLAND DATE PALM Phoenix reclinata (10')	25'- 35'	clumping, stately, feather palm
SOLITAIRE/ ALEXANDER PALM Ptychosperma elegans (8')	15'- 25'	attractive, thin trunked feather palm
*ROYAL PALM Roystonea regia (15')	50'- 70'	tall, majestic feather palm
*CABBAGE/ SABAL PALM Sabal palmetto (7')	45'- 70'	state tree of Florida common fan palm
QUEEN PALM Syagrus romanzoffianum (12')	40'- 45'	attractive feather palm
WASHINGTONIA PALM Washingtonia robusta (7')	50'- 80'	handsome fan palm, reddish trunk when small
MACARTHUR PALM Ptychosperma macarthuri (8')	20'- 30'	clumping feather palm

LARGE TREES

*RED MAPLE

Greater than 30' at maturity 30' setback from powerlines For canopy and shade, lawns, parks, etc.

COMMON/BOTANTCAL NAME HEIGHT COMMENTS

tolerates wet conditions

Acer rubrum		cold tolerant
BLACK OLIVE	40'- 50'	yellow-green foliage,
Bucida buceras		tannin stains are a problem
*GUMBO LIMBO	40'- 60'	attractive mature red bark,
Bursera simaruba		handsome shade tree
CALOPHYLLUM/ BEAUTY LEAF	30'- 45'	handsome shiny foliage
Calophyllum spp.	001 101	C. inophyllum & C.antillanum
GOLDEN SHOWER TREE	30'- 40'	spectacular yellow flowers,
Cassia fistula PINK AND WHITE SHOWER TREE	35'- 50''	tropical
Cassia javanica	33 - 30	attractive pastel pink flowers, tropical
FLOSS SILK TREE	35'- 50'	attractive pink or white
Chorisia speciosa	00 00	flowers, spines on trunk
SATINLEAF	30'- 40'	shimmering leaves in wind,
Chrysophylium oliviforme		excellent specimen tree
GREÉN BUTTONWOOD	30'- 50'	upright, larger than the
Conocarpus erectus	05/ 10/	silver buttonwood
ROYAL POINCIANA	25'- 40'	spectacular orange flowers,
Delonix regia	40' 50'	spreading habit, tropical
STRANGLER FIG Ficus aurea	40'- 50'	native Ficus, large shade
SHORTLEAF FIG	40'- 50'	tree, needs room to grow
Ficus citrifolia	40 - 30	native Ficus, large shade tree, needs room to grow
JAPANESE FERN TREE	25'- 35'	interesting shaped foliage,
Filicium decipiens		somewhat spreading
LOBLOLLY BAY	30'- 40'	handsome upright tree,
Gordonia lasianthus		cold tolerant
BLOLLY	35'- 50'	nicely shaped, handsome
Guapira discolor		fruits, hammock pioneer
JACARANDA	40'- 50'	attractive lavender-blue
Jacaranda mimosifolia GOLDEN RAINTREE	30'- 50'	flowers, open habit
Koelreuteria elegans	30 - 30	attractive yellow-sepia flowers, tropical
QUEEN'S CREPE MYRTLE	30'- 45'	attractive pink, lavender
Lagerstroemia speciosa	00 10	flower clusters, tropical
WILD TAMARIND	40'- 50'	tiny leaves, open habit,
Lysiloma bahamensis		attractive trunk & branches
SWEETBAY MAGNOLIA	40'- 60'	cold and wet tolerant
Magnolia virginiana	401 001	101.1 2 40
MANGO Mangifera indica	40'- 60'	edible fruit, many varieties
MASTIC TREE	45'- 70'	dense shade, tropical tall remnant of the hammocks
Masticodendron foetisdissimum	45 - 70	upright w/ whitish bark
YELLOW POINCIANA	40'- 50'	attractive yellow flowers,
Peltophorum pterocarpum	1	spreading habit, tropical
AVOCADO	40'- 50'	edible fruit, many varieties
Persea americana		tropical
REDBAY	50'- 60'	aromatic leaves, shade tree
Persea borbonia	001 001	or open lawns
SLASH PINE Pinus elliotii var. "densa"	80'- 90'	tall stands remain after Hurricane Andrew
JAMAICAN DOGWOOD	35'- 50'	attractive lavender flowers
Piscidia piscipula	33 - 30	attractive laverider flowers
LAUREL OAK	60'- 90'	tall, upright, short-lived
Quercus laurifolia	00 00	cold tolerant native
LIVE OAK	50'- 60'	spreading, grand shade tree
Quercus virginiana		ideal for lawns, parks
PARADISE TREE	35'- 50'	large fast growing native,
Simarouba glauca	on/	spreading habit
WEST INDIAN MAHOGANY	35'- 60'	excellent shade tree,
Swietenia mahagoni BALD CYPRESS	60' 00'	spreading habit
*BALD CYPRESS Taxodium distichum	60'- 90'	fresh water swamp habitats deciduous

SOUTH FLORIDA

*Asterisk denotes plants native to south Florida Heights are as per "Xeriscape Plant Guide II." This list is not all-inclusive. 'LY' indicates susceptibility to lethal yellowing.

